

**REMARKS—General**

By the above amendments, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121, applicant has indicated the specific status of each claim with parenthetical status identifiers, listing claims 1-17 as (canceled) and claims 18-31 as (new). Additionally, all claims have been listed in ascending numerical order.

**Conclusion**

Based on the above amendments, applicant respectfully submits that the claims now comply with Rule 121 and are in full condition for allowance, which action applicant respectfully solicits.

**Conditional Request For Constructive Assistance**

Applicant has amended the claims so that the claims are now in condition for allowance. If, for any reason, this application is not believed to be in full condition for allowance, applicant respectfully requests the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 2173.02 and § 707.07(j) in order that the undersigned can place this application in allowable condition as soon as possible and without need for further proceedings.

Very respectfully,



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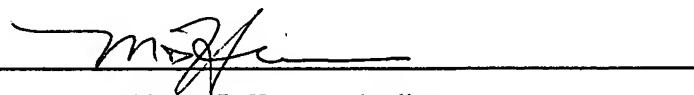
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